Holsman, Marianne

From: Holsman, Marianne

Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2014 4:08 PM

To: Amon, Tyler Subject: RE: EPA Follow-up

Mark's not in tomorrow. It's a national magazine, so HQ normally handles those.

Are they talking to you about

40-Mile?

Marianne

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From: Amon, Tyler

Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2014 3:58 PM

To: Holsman, Marianne **Subject:** Re: EPA Follow-up

Do you want me to include Mark or just let OECA run with from press corps

Tyler Amon, Special Agent in Charge U.S. EPA Criminal Investigation Division, Seattle Area Office (206) 553-2913 o

On May 15, 2014, at 3:20 PM, "Holsman, Marianne" < Holsman, Marianne@epa.gov> wrote:

I'm off tomorrow and out of pocket. Will leave it to you all to work this. I can re-engage next week if need be.

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From: Amon, Tyler

Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2014 3:04 PM

To: Conger, Nick; Parker, Doug **Cc:** Lastra, Julie; Holsman, Marianne

Subject: RE: EPA Follow-up

Would a 2pm et (11am pt) call work on Friday, May 16 for 20 mins?

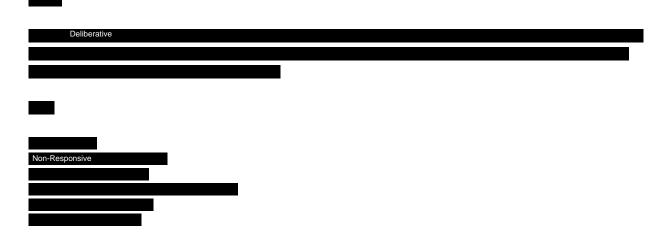
Tyler C. Amon Special Agent in Charge

From: Conger, Nick

Sent: Thursday, May 15, 2014 1:02 PM

To: Amon, Tyler

Cc: Lastra, Julie; Holsman, Marianne **Subject:** FW: EPA Follow-up



From: Tim Sohn [mailto:tfsohn@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 14, 2014 6:27 PM

To: Conger, Nick

Subject: Re: EPA Follow-up

Hey Nick,

Hope all's well there. Any new blockbuster cases to report?

Just off the phone with my editor, and here's where we stand: I'm still trying to get the right angle and figure out how to make the story work. I went through the closed cases we discussed--I've been researching them, and they're all fascinating--but they didn't quite bite on any of them. The story's still looking good, just that I need to come up with a better hook. Basically they got pretty focused on two things:

- 1) The Chicken story.
- 2) The need for a person/face to build this story around.

As to the first, do you have any idea what the timing might be for resolving the Chicken case, i.e. at what point agents might be able to speak on the record about it? And is there any way to have people speak more generally about it at this point while it's ongoing, or is that completely out of bounds? (Sorry to push on this, but sometimes editors get an idea in their heads of what the story should be and, as I'm sure you know, it can be hard to shake them off of it.

And on the second point. I know that you said that a "ride along" type thing probably wouldn't work, but if there is any context that comes up where it might be a possibility, I'd definitely clear my schedule for that, even if it's relatively slow-paced, I think it would be interesting. And as for personalities, I was wondering if it might be possible to interview someone like Tyler Amon? I

need a person to hang the story on, and while I'd love to interview Doug on the record, I'll probably have more success with someone a little closer to field level, and that NW/Alaska region seems to be a pretty interesting one.

Thanks again for all your help on this, Nick, and look forward to hearing any thoughts you might have. I'm at my desk tomorrow if you'd rather catch up by phone.

Best, Tim

On Thu, May 8, 2014 at 4:49 PM, Conger, Nick < Conger. Nick@epa.gov > wrote:

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